

GERMANS MASK HUGE LOSS BY ITALIAN DRIVE

French Commission Here
Points Out Significance
of Western Defeat.

By TRACEY HAMMOND LEWIS.
So great has been the superiority of the allies on the western front during the past four months, it is stated in an analysis of recent operations in this region made by the French high commission in Washington yesterday, that Germany had to engage during the battle of Flanders seventy divisions successively, which is about one-half of their total force on the front without once registering success.

In the attention which has lately been concentrated upon the Teuton strokes in Russia and Italy, the tendency has been to lose sight of the full significance of the allies' victories on the western front.

They mean that it is imperative for Germany to transfer more troops to the French front, that the help which Germany could give the Austrian army in Italy will be restricted until they have brought to an end the Anglo-French victories on the western front, and that if Germany had the intention of availing herself of the last weeks of favorable weather, following her successes at Riga-Jacobstadt, this has probably been prevented by the battle of Flanders.

As the French See It.
The statement of the French high commission reads in part: "It is not necessary to recall that in the battle of Flanders alone the allies have captured up to now 20,000 prisoners, of whom 700 are officers; 600 machine guns and 300 cannons. They have successively conquered three equally strong positions on a front of thirty kilometers and on a depth of seven kilometers.

"This advance, accompanied thanks to the power of their material and to the offensive worth of their troops, has made the allies masters of the important line of heights which commands the plains of Flanders. The energy and sting of their infantry and also the great fury with which the Germans very often in close formation have counter-attacked in vain, have certainly caused the enemy very heavy losses.

"It could be expected that the enemy would try to withdraw some troops from his eastern front in order to provide for the battle of Flanders. This he began to do by sending in September the Nineteenth German Reserve Division from the Riga front to that of Ypres. It is possible that other divisions followed.

"It is unquestionable that the state of the Russian army, much more than the bad season, through the slackening and even the stopping of all active operations, has enabled Germany to take away troops from its eastern front to seek elsewhere the success so necessary both to the German people and to the German army.

Costly for the Germans.
"What is exactly the strength of the forces which Germany has flung against Italy, for the first time since the two countries have been at war, we do not as yet know; and all discussion on this subject would be useless in view of the fact that such forces have been sufficient to assure them the rapid advance which must absolutely be checked.

"But, at the same time, it is advisable to note that the new French offensive on the Alsace has cost the enemy, in two days, the loss of several villages and important heights, besides 12,000 prisoners of whom 200 are officers, and 120 cannons without counting the large war material, and will render it still more imperative for Germany to transfer more troops to the French front.

"Such is, irrespective of the exact losses inflicted on the enemy and of the tactical advantages secured by the allies, the true import of their successes on the Western front."

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MUST PROTECT TROOP'S MORALE SAYS DR. M'KIM

Addresses Meeting to Further Plans of War Daddy Movement.

There is far more danger lurking in and about the encampments of American soldiers than awaits them on the battlefields of Europe," said the Rev. Dr. Randolph McKim, at a meeting of the District War Service Commission, at the Ebbitt last night. In addressing the meeting which was called to further the plans of the "War Daddy" movement, Dr. McKim called attention to the fact that the most vital problem facing the American people was the protection of the morale of their armed forces.

Previous to Dr. McKim's address, Harold Keats, executive secretary of the District committee on Training Camp Activities, gave details as to the work now being done by the War Service Commission in the way of providing accommodations and entertainments for the soldiers quartered in and around Washington.

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THIS is the scene which was enacted "in the shades of night" Tuesday, October 30, when those District National Guards who have been encamped "somewhere in the South" lay over in the Baltimore and Ohio freight yards for forty minutes. Not a mother, daddy or sweetheart who loved them was on hand to give greeting, although numbers of the group were within a few blocks of their homes. They were, indeed, "So near and yet so far."



AWAIT COMPLETE RETURNS OF LOAN

Officials Believe That Sum Will Reach \$6,000,000,000.

Complete returns on the Second Liberty Loan will not be available until some time this week, it was announced yesterday at the Treasury Department. Only two Federal reserve districts have filed their complete figures, and the loan officials will not make them public until the figures for all the districts are ready for publication.

Each day's delay in the reports is giving the loan campaigners more hope of over-subscription and they have found no reason yet to belittle unofficial estimates that the sum will reach somewhere in the neighborhood of \$6,000,000,000. All, of course, will not be taken up.

The department will announce the figures and the allotments for each district simultaneously. There were more than 10,000 agencies engaged in raising the loan throughout the country, and it is said that approximately 20 per cent are yet to turn in their returns.

The magnificent response of the army is one of the factors that go to make up for the large over-subscription. It subscribed the sum of \$9,230,000, which \$2,000,000 was allotted in favor of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York City, which means that officers, enlisted men and permanent civilian employees have assigned from their monthly pay this grand total for the purchase of the bonds. The entire American army has a per capita subscription of \$75.55, an average subscription of \$112.25, nearly 10 per cent of the army's subsistence.

WAR TRADE BOARD NAMES BRANCHES

Officers of Foreign and Domestic Commerce Also Announced.

Branches of the War Trade Board with their special agents throughout the country, were announced last night. They are:

Galveston, Texas, George W. Briggs, Federal Building; Los Angeles, Cal., William Dunkerley, custom house; Mobile, Ala., M. Waring Harrison, custom house; New Orleans, La., Joseph P. Henrican, Canal Bank Building; New York, N. Y., K. Condict, 11 Broadway; Portland, Ore., Henry L. Corbett, Morgan Building; San Francisco, Cal., C. C. G. Miller, custom house; Savannah, Ga., J. W. Motte, Savannah Bank and Trust Building; Seattle, Wash., McPherson Ferguson, Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce.

The following branch offices of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, created with the War Trade Board, were also announced: Boston, Mass., Ansel R. Clark, custom house; Chicago, Ill., George W. Doonan, Federal Building; St. Louis, Mo., Paul M. LaRose, National Bank Building.

TELEGRAPHIC TIPS

Hamilton, Ont., Nov. 3.—Under the compulsory military service law, Canada is preparing to send her soldiers overseas at the rate of 10,000 every month, according to Maj. Gen. Newburn, Minister of Militia.

Seattle, Nov. 3.—Dance halls in which girls are employed were ordered closed by Mayor Gill. This is the first step in the "clean-up" of the city which was promised to Gen. H. A. Greene, of Camp Lewis.

Paris, Nov. 3.—An official decree sets the issue price of the new 4 per cent loan at 99.50. At this figure the loan will pay investors 5.33 per cent. The subscription lists will be open from November 26 until December 16.

Copenhagen, Nov. 3.—An official dispatch from Berlin says Emperor William has ordered the holding of flags and the firing of salutes in Prussia and Alsace-Lorraine in celebration of the victories won against the Italians.

PORTION OF DISTRICT GUARD LEAVES FOR ANOTHER CAMP

Entire Detachment Off on Last Lap of Journey Before Going "Over There"—Served With Refreshments at the Station.

"So near, and yet so far!" This is the thought which burned in the hearts of some hundred members of the District National Guard, who have been encamped "somewhere in the South" when, on the evening of Tuesday, October 30, they laid over in this city for more than forty minutes in the Baltimore and Ohio Freight Yards—within the very shades of their homes, relatives, sweethearts and friends to their training camp.

Every one of the boys appeared in the best of spirits. As they sped through the city, their loud lunces, calls-shaded with varying glints of defiance and jubilation—made puny the constant clug of engine.

Wild to acquaint their mothers and fathers and sweethearts of their momentary visit, the soldiers beseeched trainmen and newsmen who trailed about the train to mail letters and deliver messages for them.

Members of the Red Cross organization, which served the men with coffee, sandwiches and buns "mathematically" the boys as they knew how, promising to deliver whispered messages but, withal, inevitably would come to mind that poignant fact: "So near, and yet so far."

So, with it topmost in their thoughts, they rolled away again in the mist of the night from whence they first came, while their loved ones conjured mind pictures of their bounteous many miles away may, had they known it, could have heard for a moment their cheery "High, oh's" had some fate led them on the edge of the city.

Officers in charge forbade the men leaving the train, firm in the belief that it would do them little good to stir about when they must not leave the yards. Only the guards, in fact, rapidly with which such tonnage can be produced.

Cleveland, Nov. 3.—Frank A. Scott, who last week resigned as chairman of the United States War Industries Board, is so seriously ill that his physicians have ordered him to give up all work for an indefinite period.

London, Nov. 3.—Ben Tillet, labor leader, running as an independent candidate, defeated Sir Charles Malleson, coalition candidate, in a by-election for Parliament, held at North Salford. Tillet's majority was 1,227. Tillet is a vigorous supporter of the war.

Madrid, Nov. 3.—King Alfonso has instructed Marquis Manuel Garcia Prieto with the task of forming a coalition cabinet on the widest possible basis. The marquis has held portfolios in the Spanish cabinets and was Premier from April until June of the present year.

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 3.—Dr. W. Godfrey Hunter, Minister to Guatemala during the administration of President McKinley and a notable figure of a decade ago in Kentucky politics, died in his home here after a brief illness. Dr. Hunter was formerly a Representative in Congress.

Wellsboro, Pa., Nov. 3.—Assertions that Germany was justified in her invasion of Belgium caused a crowd of several hundred men, gathered to honor drafted men, to attack and drag W. M. Kohler, a local lawyer, across the street and force him to kiss an American flag.

Phillipsburg, N. J., Nov. 3.—Fire caused a loss here of at least \$200,000, destroying the big freight house of the Lehigh Valley Railroad and ten box cars containing dry goods, eggs and butter. A large building owned by the railroad and used by the Ceresota Flour Company was also burned.

CARBERRY ASSOCIATION HOLDS FALL MEETING

A splendid gathering of parents and interested friends marked the annual fall meeting of the Carberry Parent-Teacher Association held at the school building. Mrs. Henry Knook presided, and introduced Mrs. Joseph Stoddard, a well known worker for Child Welfare, who told of very comfortable things for children that could be made from cast-off garments. Miss Young, principal of the school, suggested plans for the coming winter months, by which the association might do its bit in these strenuous times.

MISS MILDRED WISE BRIDE OF L. A. BUTT

A prettily arranged wedding took place last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Wise in North Capitol street, when their daughter, Mildred, became the bride of Leonard A. Butt, son of Charles Butt. The ceremony was performed at 8:30 o'clock by the Rev. Charles E. Fultz, of the United Brethren Church, in the presence of relatives and intimate friends. The bride wore a gown of fresh Georgette crepe. Her sister, Mrs. Linton, was maid of honor.

They Get An Auto Ride.

The released prisoners were taken from jail to Cameron House in automobiles. They were Miss Lucy Brant, Baltimore; Mrs. Dorothy Bartlett, Putnam, Conn.; Miss Lucy Burns, Brooklyn; Mrs. Annie Arnold, Wilmington, Del.; Mrs. Pauline Adams, Norfolk, Va.; Miss Mary Winsor, Haverford, Pa.; Miss Eleanor Calman, Methuen, Mass.; Miss Edith Algeo, Jamestown, N. Y.; and Miss Margaret Fotheringham, Buffalo, N. Y.

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PICKETS QUIT JAIL; SHIVER IN COLD WIND

Steady Diet of Salt Pork Makes All Lose Weight.

Ten shivering pickets, dressed in summer clothes, were released from the District jail yesterday morning after serving a sixty-day sentence for obstructing traffic before the White House gates.

As they emerged from the jail, they were met by a delegation of colleagues bearing banners demanding that Alice Paul and seven other suffragists still in jail be treated as political prisoners.

The chill wind that swept across the vacant lot in front of the jail made the white-frocked militants shudder. When they were arrested, on September 4, they wore white dresses, white shoes and straw hats. Yesterday morning they presented quite a contrast to the overcoated and warmly clad delegation who met them.

Those who met the released pickets were: Mrs. W. Thompson Burche, Mrs. William Kent, Mrs. Lawrence Lewis, Miss Hazel Pinney, Miss Mary Malone, Mrs. Winsor, mother of Mary Winsor, and Miss Ellen Winsor.

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WOULD HAVE U. S. CONTROL LUNCH ROOMS

District Council of Defense Plans to Reduce Food Prices Here.

Government lunch rooms for the incoming employees of the department are now being urged in recommendations to the District Commissioners from the District Council of Defense.

William H. Baldwin, chairman of the District Council declared that it is not the purpose of the council to have the government enter into competition with the eating houses of the District, but simply to provide attractive places for those who desire to eat where the prices will be at a minimum and the best of food will be provided.

The commissioners are now considering approaching government officials with the plan. No hint has been given as to the reception with which the plan will meet from the officials, but it is pointed out by men who have studied the question, that the suggestion would offer a solution to the problems which many of the government employees have faced in securing food at reasonable rates.

Milk Is 10 Cents.

In several lunch rooms of the District, frequented at noon time by employees of the United States government, prices are exorbitant. A few minute little dabs of meat heated for a minute and three small wheat cakes, are now selling back lunch seekers 25 cents, for what is termed "country sausage cakes with buckwheats." Other prices are quite as extravagant.

Ten cents is being charged for milk in several restaurants, and other articles of food are priced commensurately.

If the government took hold of the eating situation for its clerks of the District it is suggested that milk might be bought wholesale, and sold at cost. Tons of meat could be purchased at once. And lunchrooms modeled after the one at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing and operated co-operatively by the employees of departments might become "places of low rates."

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